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CLAIMS

1(currently amended). A plumbing fixture comprising a housing with at least one installation opening, a line exiting from the housing at the installation opening, a further line routed through the at least one installation opening back into the housing of the plumbing fixture, and a quick-connect connector that connects together ends of the two lines arranged outside the housing of the plumbing fixture, wherein said ends of the two lines are provided with fittings that are insertable into the quick-connect connector and are latchable into place there, wherein the ends of the lines can be disconnected from the connector manually without using tools, including operating detents and latches and ~~wherein detenting and latching of the connector and the fittings is generated by deforming parts of the connector~~ by hand.

2(previously presented). A plumbing fixture according to claim 1, wherein the quick-connect connector comprises a plug-in connector.

3(canceled).

4(canceled).

5(canceled).

6(previously presented). A plumbing fixture according to claim 1, wherein the fittings are soldered to the ends of the lines.

7(previously presented). A plumbing fixture according to claim 1, wherein the fittings are adhesively bonded to the ends of the lines.

8(previously presented). A plumbing fixture according to claim 1, wherein one of the lines to be interconnected comprises a pipe and the other comprises a hose.

9(previously presented). A plumbing fixture according to claim 1, wherein the connector comprises a monolithic, plastic connector.

10(canceled).

11(canceled)..